

Q&A's on A Preliminary Evaluation of Odors Associated with the Salton Sea Ecosystem RFP

Q - Do you want the proposals to address visitor (i.e., recreationist) perceptions and preferences?

A - Although visitor preferences are important, they are not the most important aspect. The most important aspect to consider are residents. Visitors are "hit and miss" with regard to odor problems whereas residents are just "hit".

Q - What is the geographical extent of the phenomenon you would like the proposal to cover? The RFP mentions "surrounding communities" (which we take to mean those on the Sea shore) and the Coachella Valley including Indio. Are you also seeking information about Imperial Valley communities?

A - The near shore communities include the Salton City vicinity along the West shore, the area as far north as Indio (although some odors do seem to reach the Palm Springs area at times, then the eastern shore communities such as Bombay Beach, Niland, Calipatria. You may be asking about communities such as Brawley and further south such as El Centro. The focus should be on the immediate vicinity of the Salton Sea with an outer limit from the shorelines of about 10-15 miles.